(a) whether it is a fact that black fever recently broke out in several parts of the country ; and

(b) if so, the total number of deaths during the current year till October, 1991 and details of the measures taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) Black Fever or Kala-azar has not broken out in several parts of the country. Kala-azar is endemic only in the States of Bihar and West Bengal.

(b) The total number of deaths due to Black Fever (Kala-azar) as reported is as under:—

Year	Deaths
1990	606
1991 (upto Aug. 1991)	437

The specific measures being undertaken by the Government to contain the spread of this disease :

—Systematic case detection and treatment of all patients with drugs like Sodium Stibo Gluconate, Pentamidine Isotheionate, etc.

—Interruption of transmission through vector control by undertaking residual insecticidal spraying in affected areas with two rounds of DDT.

—Improvement of general sanitation in and around the house to eliminate breeding ground or sandflow the the vector for Kala-azar.

—Intensification of health education activities for disease prevention.

—Training of medical and para-medical personnel in the diagnosis and treatment of Kala-azar cases.

Death in mental hospital Bombay

1181. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN :
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE oe pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of patients have died since 1988 in mental hospitals in Bombay ; and

(b) whether Government have taken any action on the recommendations made in the "Mahajan Committee' Report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) The number of deaths in Mental Hospital, Thane, Bombay since 1988 is 366.

(b) The Maharasthra State Government have intimated that they have started implementing most of the recommendations of the MAHAJAN COMMITTEE in right earnest.

CGHS Dispensaries in uncovered areas of Ghaziabad city and trans-Hindon areas

1182. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of Central Government employees are residing in Ghaziabad city and trans-Hindon area;

(b) whether it is also a fact that those areas are not fully covered by the CGHS;

(c) whether Government have taken any decision to open a CGHS Dispensary for the uncovered areas there;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof, and by when the decision is likely to be implemented in this regard; and

(e) if the reply to part (d) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Due to financial constraints, it is not possible to open any new dispensary this year.

Services provided by Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital

1183. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of beds capacity in Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital in New Delhi.

(b) what are the details of services in specialities and super specialities provided by the Hospital;